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For: IMAGE TRANSMISSION METHOD AND APPARATUS

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

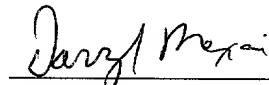
Prior to examination, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**IN THE TITLE:****Please insert the following title on page 1, before paragraph 1:****IMAGE TRANSMISSION METHOD AND APPARATUS****IN THE ABSTRACT:****Please renumber the ABSTRACT page, as page 23.**

REMARKS

Entry and consideration of this Amendment is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,



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**APPENDIX****VERSION WITH MARKINGS TO SHOW CHANGES MADE****IN THE ABSTRACT OF DISCLOSURE:**

Please delete the title on Page 1, before paragraph 1:

~~IMAGE TRANSMISSION METHOD AND APPARATUS~~

Please renumber the ABSTRACT as page 23, after the claims.

**ABSTRACT**

A system for efficiently transferring composite images via a network, the composite images having been formed from a plurality of partial images generated by a modality. The system is configured to transmit a composite image, original images from which the composite image is formed, or combining data required for generating a composite image based on the original images, or a combination thereof, according to an output destination device or device attribute specified by the user.

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